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SUBJ: PREPARATIONS FOR THE 1979 WORLD GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE
RADIO CONFERENCE

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1. SUMMARY: CZECHOSLOVAKIA HAS BEGUN PREPARATIONS FOR
1979 WORLD GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE RADIO CONFERENCE (2-4:)
AND WILL PROPOSE THAT RESULTS OF POST-1959 CONFERENCES
BE INCORPORATED IN DOCUMENT COMING OUT OF 1979 GENERAL
CONFERENCE, THAT AMENDMENT BE MADE IN PROCEDURE FOR
REQUESTING FREQUENCY CHANGES, AND THAT OBLIGATORY TASKS
OF IFRB NOT BE INCREASED. CZECHOSLOVAKS NOT INTERESTED
IN BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS WITH U.S. END SUMMARY.

2. EMBOFF DISCUSSED 1979 WARC AS REQUESTED REF B WITH
FRANTISEK KRALIK, CHIEF OF FREQUENCY SECTION, MINISTRY
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OF POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF THE CZECHO-
SLOVAK SOCIALIST REPUBLIC (CSSR). ALSO PRESENT
WERE ZDENEK STRNAD AND SLAVOMIL SCHNEIDER, BOTH
OF MINISTRY'S INTERNATIONAL DIVISION.

3. KRALIK NOTED THAT HIS MINISTRY IS RESPONSIBLE
CZECHOSLOVAK AGENCY FOR THIS SUBJECT AND THAT

PRELIMINARY WORK ON CONFERENCE HAS BEGUN. KRALIK POINTED OUT THAT CZECHOSLOVAKIA WAS MEMBER OF PREPARATORY GROUP WHICH PREPARED AND PUBLISHED PRELIMINARY STUDY ON SUBJECT AND CZECHOSLOVAK VIEWS ARE EMBODIED IN THAT DOCUMENT. ENGLISH TITLE IS "POSSIBLE RE-ARRANGEMENT OF THE RADIO REGULATIONS AND THE ADDITIONAL RADIO REGULATIONS REPORT OF THE GROUP OF EXPERTS SET UP BY THE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL OF THE ITU (30TH SESSION, 1975)". DOCUMENT PUBLISHED BY THE INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS UNION IN GENEVA 1976.

4. CZECHOSLOVAKIA'S PROPOSALS AT THE 1979 WARC WILL FALL INTO THREE MAIN CATEGORIES:

A) THE CSSR WILL PROPOSE THAT THE RESULTS OF ALL CONFERENCES SINCE THE 1959 GENERAL CONFERENCE BE INCORPORATED INTO THE NEW DOCUMENT WHICH WILL EMERGE FROM THE 1979 MEETING. THESE CONFERENCES INCLUDE THE 1963 AND 1971 CONFERENCES ON SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS, THE 1965 AND 1974 CONFERENCES ON MARITIME COMMUNICATIONS, THE 1966 AND 1978 CONFERENCES ON AERONAUTICAL COMMUNICATIONS, THE 1975 CONFERENCE ON MEDIUM AND LONG WAVE FREQUENCIES FOR REGIONS 1 AND 3 AND THE 1966 MEDIUM AND LONG WAVE CONFERENCE ON AFRICA, AND THE EUROPEAN REGIONAL CONFERENCE ON VHF AND UHF HELD IN STOCKHOLM IN 1961. SINGLED OUT FOR SPECIAL EMPHASIS IS THE INCORPORATION OF THE RESULTS OF THE JUST-
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COMPLETED CONFERENCE ON SATELLITE BROADCASTING. KRALIK STRESSED THAT THE FINAL ACT OF THIS JANUARY 1977 CONFERENCE SHOULD BECOME AN AMENDMENT TO THE GENERAL REGULATIONS SINCE THIS ACT CONTAINS PROCEDURE FOR SATELLITE BROADCASTING.

B) THE CSSR WILL PROPOSE THAT CURRENT PROCEDURE FOR REQUESTING CHANGES FROM THE INTERNATIONAL FREQUENCY RADIO BOARD (IFRB) BE AMENDED TO PROVIDE FOR CONSULTATION WITH ALL AFFECTED COUNTRIES BEFORE SUBMISSION OF A CHANGE REQUEST TO THE IFRB.

C) THE CSSR WILL PROPOSE THAT THE OBLIGATORY TASKS CURRENTLY DEMANDED OF THE IFRB NOT BE INCREASED. THE AIM OF THIS PROPOSAL IS TO CURTAIL INCREASES IN STAFF AND BUDGET OF THE IFRB.

5. CZECHOSLOVAKIA IS INTERESTED IN ALL COMMUNICATIONS FIELDS LIKELY TO COME UP AT THE 1979 CONFERENCE INCLUDING AERONAUTICAL, MARITIME, SATELLITE, FIXED AND MOBILE TRANSMITTING, ETC. DETAILS OF CZECHOSLOVAK PROPOSALS AND POSITIONS WILL NOT BE COMPLETED BEFORE EARLY 1979.

6. KRALIK SAID THAT CZECHOSLOVAKIA PARTICIPATES IN ALL ITU CONFERENCES AND HAS COOPERATED CLOSELY WITH U.S. DELEGATES IN THE PAST, MOST RECENTLY AT THE JANUARY 1977 SATELLITE CONFERENCE. HOWEVER CZECHOSLOVAKIA IS NOT INTERESTED IN FORMAL BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS WITH THE UNITED STATES IN PREPARATION FOR THE 1979 WARC CONFERENCE. KRALIK INDICATED THAT THE WRITTEN BRIEFS PUBLISHED BY THE U.S. SIDE WOULD BE SUFFICIENT FOR CZECHOSLOVAK PURPOSES AND EXPRESSED HIS INTERESTED IN UNCLASSIFIED

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